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FIFTIETH YEAR

Good Bluff If He's Not Insane

Answers of Schmidt, Slayer of Anna Aumuller, Are Evidence of a Disordered Brain

By Associated Press.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—A procession of alienists began marching to the witness stand today in the trial of Hans Schmidt for the murder of Anna Aumuller. After Dr. Smith Ely Joliffe of New York testified for the defense the court adjourned to enable Schmidt's attorneys to construct a hypothetical question to be put to Dr. Joliffe and the other medical experts. Joliffe asked Schmidt if he had ever played a violin in a bathtub.

"I did," Schmidt replied. "It was nobody's business if I felt like it; I put my feet in the water; I sat in it and played what an inspired man does and heaven wishes him to do."

The physician pricked his finger while visiting Schmidt's cell. He showed the prisoner the drop of blood. Schmidt's face became livid. "All blood is mine," he shouted, trying to grasp the physician's hand and raise it to his lips.

CONFERENCE REPORT ADOPTED BY HOUSE

Amendments by Senate Receive Sanction of Other Branch of Congress ---Bill may be Signed Tonight

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The House passed the conference report on the administration currency bill by a vote of 208 to 60, and sent the report to the Senate, which waited in session to receive it before adjournment for the night. Prolonged uproarious cheers from the Democrats greeted the announcement of the vote by Speaker Clark. Earlier in the evening the Senate agreed to a vote not later

than 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. The leaders thought it certain that the bill would be in the hands of the president for his signature before tomorrow night. On final vote, 34 Republicans, 11 Progressives and one Independent (Kent of California), voted with the majority for the report. Two Democrats, Galloway of Texas and Witherspoon of Mississippi, joined the opposition. The vote followed a debate of nearly three hours.

SHERIFF BALKS ONLY A MILLION AT GOVERNOR'S ASKED FROM SANTA FE

REFUSES TO CARRY OUT ORDERS TO CLOSE ALL SALOONS IN COPPERFIELD, OREGON

By Associated Press.

BAKER, Ore., Dec. 22.—Sheriff Ed Rand flatly refused to carry out Governor West's order to close the saloons in Copperfield. He said only he knew the Governor would have his wishes carried out to declare martial law in Copperfield. The sheriff telegraphed the Governor asking him to cite the code section under which he expected to have his order obeyed, and would not make a move unless he received a satisfactory answer. The Governor replied: "Well, I will close the saloons there myself, and I will close any other saloons in the country which need closing."

SILVER.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Silver, 577-8 cents.

Mysterious Explosion On Royal Russian Train

By Associated Press.

ROSTOCK, Mecklenburg-Schwerin, Dec. 22.—A mysterious explosion occurred on the Russian court special train, which was waiting a few minutes before the arrival of Dowager Empress Marie of Russia from Copenhagen. Seven members

of the train crew were badly injured. The explosion occurred only a few minutes before the arrival of the Empress, who was bound for St. Petersburg. According to an official account, the explosion was caused by a defect in the lighting apparatus.

BIG BUSINESS IS BEATING TIME TO THE LAW

PRESIDENT OBSERVES TENDENCY OF CORPORATIONS TO OBEY STATUTES OF THE LAND

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—President Wilson in conference this morning stated that it was his belief that the corporations of the country were fast realizing that they must come to time in the matter of observing the laws of the country.

The president did not specify what corporations he referred to, though in an informal discussion of the matter with callers, he spoke of having some in mind.

He reiterated that there seemed to be a general disposition to inquire what the law was and what was to be expected of "big business" and a desire on their part to comply with the spirit of the law. The president added that it would be a policy of the administration to cooperate in every way possible to legitimately bring the business men of the nation to understand the law.

VILLA AWAITING THE MOVE OF ENEMY

IS SATISFIED WITH THE PRESENT POSITION OF HIS FORCES; MONEY EXACTIONS CONTINUE

By Associated Press.

JUAREZ, Dec. 22.—A waiting attitude is assumed by Villa to learn what action the Federal forces at Ojinaga intend to take. While the bulk of the Federal army in the north remains at Ojinaga, Villa says he is satisfied, since they are more than a thousand miles from striking distance of any Rebel strongholds. While the Federals have been strengthening their commissary, as if preparing to march to the interior, they are without train or telegraph communication south of the border.

As soon as sufficiently advised of conditions, Villa intends to send a large force toward Torreon, two hundred miles south, where are the nearest Federals. The exaction of money from persons leaving Chihuahua still continues, according to refugees.

WEATHER FORECAST.
Arizona: Cloudy in the south; probably snow in the north. Southern California: Unsettled, probably rain.

Special Service at Catholic Church

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

The customary observance of Christmas by the Sacred Heart church of this city will take place on Christmas eve when a midnight mass will be celebrated. Father Rousselet will officiate on this occasion, while Father Kohlman will preach the Christmas sermon. The musical program is to be especially attractive, with the well-trained choir in attendance, Mrs. P. J. Farley, at the organ, and with Miss Vera McNulty, as accompanist, on the violin. Another feature will be the rendering of the Christmas carol, "Noel," by Mrs. William Neagle at the offertory. The commodious church has been beautifully decorated, and the public is extended a cordial invitation to be present.

ANTICIPATE LOSSES.

J. D. Mason and James McWhorter, who were in the city yesterday from the Upper Agua Fria range country, state that the winter has been an unusually severe one on livestock and in some localities they anticipate heavy losses. The rains are a great benefit to the country, but no appreciable results are to be expected until spring. In the meantime cattle in poor condition cannot survive until that time.

PEDAGOGUE IS SEEKING TROUBLE.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 22.—Uniform style of dress for girls in the California schools is advocated by State Superintendent Hyatt. He says he believes a simple black dress and neat white apron would aid in obtaining better results in school work.

YAQUI INDIANS ARE MOLESTING FREIGHTERS

SEVERAL ARE KILLED IN ENGAGEMENT AND OTHERS TORTURED AND TURNED LOOSE

By Associated Press.

DOUGLAS, Dec. 22.—A. Wallace, a mining man and an American, who was jailed for debt at Agua Prieta on Friday, was released after a hearing at Fronteras, where he was taken Sunday. Wallace stated he paid a bill of \$1,600, alleged to have been due Ramon Bolanda, Mexican, for work at Wallace's Sonora mine.

Yaqui Indians are attacking many freighting outfits traversing the section around Ladara, according to Americans who arrived recently, and brisk battles are not unusual. The Indians are winning most of the fights. Several of the freighters were killed and it is reported others were tortured, stripped of their clothing and turned loose on the desert. No effort was made to curb the Indians, so the Americans state, because of the usefulness of their services to the Constitutional army.

PREPARING HIS ANNUAL REPORT

CHIEF A. A. JOHNS OF LOCAL FIRE DEPARTMENT WILL HAVE INTERESTING DOCUMENT

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

A. A. Johns, chief of the Prescott fire department, is compiling figures for presentation in his annual report to the city council after January 1. The report promises to be interesting in more than one way. Approximately twenty alarms have been sounded during the year and of this number, a great many were of the false variety. In many instances the fire bell failed to send forth its feeling of alarm for over a month at a stretch. The total damage will scarcely reach above the start of four figures.

As a matter of fact, Prescott has not been visited by a real conflagration since the Yavapai Club burned down. The great fire of 1906 has taught all hands a lesson. The result has been a general move to "make hay while the sun shines." Today Prescott boasts of a department which can make record time to any blaze within the city's confines.

WANT THE WHOLE COUNTRY MADE DRY.

By Associated Press.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 22.—President Wilson has been memorialized to ask Congress to submit a constitutional amendment looking to the abolition of the liquor traffic in the country at large. The memorial was signed by a committee of 25, named at the Anti-Saloon League demonstration on the capitol steps, December 20th. The memorial was sent in lieu of a personal hearing, since the president was unable to receive the delegation then.

GOING SOUTH.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Roberts, with their son, Sheridan Roberts, arrived in the city Sunday from Jerome, en route to Phoenix, traveling in their automobile. Mrs. Roberts is a practicing physician and with her husband is a frequent visitor to the city. They registered at the St. Michael.

SLAP ON WRIST IS COMING TO OFFENDERS

SINGERS OF "DAMN DAMN, DAMN THE FILIPINOS" ARE DUE FOR SEVERE REPRIMAND

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—The president made public today a letter addressed to Secretaries Garrison and Daniels requesting that a "very serious reprimand be administered to those army and navy officers who participated in the recent dinner given by the military order of Carabao" at which banquet the administration of the Philippines and other policies of the administration were satirized.

In concluding the letter the president says: "My purpose in administering this reprimand is to recall to the men who are responsible for this lowering of standards to their ideals, to remind them of the high conscience with which they ought to put duty above personal indulgence to think themselves responsible men and to think themselves responsible, amusing themselves as diners out."

GAZETTE BUYS THE ARIZONA DEMOCRAT

PHOENIX, Dec. 22.—A deal which has been in progress for some time was consummated on Saturday night by which the Arizona Democrat passed to the ownership of the Arizona Gazette. The new owner will take possession on Tuesday and it is understood that the publication of the paper will be suspended. John O. Dunbar, the veteran editor of the Democrat, had already severed his connection with that paper, although he had lately been handling the editorial page while making preparation for the publication of Dunbar's Weekly, which will be issued next month under the management of Mr. Dunbar and Joe Connors. The Democrat is the lineal descendant of the Phoenix Enterprise, which was started by A. S. Mills in the late nineties and later passed into the possession of W. D. Bell, by whom it was sold to the late Colonel J. F. Wilson. It was later sold to Mr. Dunbar and Sam F. Webb. Since then it has passed through many hands, although the greater part of the time Mr. Dunbar has been in charge of the editorial department. Under a reorganization last fall George A. Olney, J. F. Wolfe and W. T. Webb became the principal owners of it. Mr. Olney of late has had charge of it.

Judge Smith is in Great Demand

(From Tuesday's Daily.)

Judge Frank O. Smith of the Yavapai County Superior Court bench, is presiding over the Co-chise County Superior Court for a few days. Unaware of the local jurist's absence, Judge Phillips of the Maricopa county court, yesterday called up the court clerk's office and asked to speak to Judge Smith. Informed of his absence, the voice on the other end of the wire said: "Too bad. We need him here this week." There was no session of the local Superior Court yesterday.

REGARDS DECISION AS VERY IMPORTANT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 22.—John M. Eishleman, president of the Railroad Commission, issued a statement on the decision of the Supreme Court annulling the commission's order directing the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph Company to make physical connection with independent companies in Tehama and Glenn counties.

Eishleman regards the decision as highly important as it permits a speedy determination of the validity of the commission's findings on a question of fact and holds the commission can act as a court as well as in an administrative and legislative capacity.

Hides Affinity In Secret Room

Death of a Prominent Attorney Lays Bare the Skeleton of his Double Existence

By Associated Press.

MONTICELLO, N. Y., Dec. 22.—The death of Melvin Couch, a prominent attorney and former district attorney of Sullivan county, revealed that unknown to his family, friends and clients, a woman lived three years in a secret room connecting with his law offices. Couch was found yesterday lying dead on his office lounge. Death was due to the rupture of a blood vessel.

In the next room crouched a frightened woman, who admitted she saw the lawyer die, but insisted she was not responsible. She said she was Adelaide M. Brance, of Goshen, N. Y., and the secret room had been her only home for three years.

LICENSED TO WED.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 22.—Melvin S. Craig, 25, of Prescott, and Flora L. Harris, 20, of Los Angeles, secured a marriage license here today.

CRUISER'S MISSION ALREADY SETTLED

By Associated Press.

HERMOSILLO, Dec. 22.—An American cruiser is lying off San Blas, Sinaloa, doing here supposedly for the purpose of conferring with Felipe Riveros, Constitutional governor of Sinaloa, regarding the reported imprisonment of W. S. Windham and J. M. Dunn, Americans. It is said the men have been located and the report of Topic.

their imprisonment by the Constitutionalists was disproved since Denial is Mexico City. Topic, the defeated, it is said there is no graph is declared within ten miles of Topic.

WORK TO START AFTER RECEIPT OF TITLE CALL ON EX-WIFE

Preliminary operations of the

Baumann Mines Company in starting annual assessment work on their group of twenty-five claims, under the direction of Jules Baumann, and the statement made yesterday that after this title is perfected it is probable that permanent development is to follow, the reviving of one of the best known copper holdings in this field seems to be assured.

In years gone by a great amount of exploration has been performed, a commodious camp of many buildings established and generally speaking some satisfactory determinations were accomplished. One advantage of the Baumann interests is the close proximity to railroad transportation and the smelter of the Consolidated at Humboldt, both points being within two and one-half miles. It is stated that many of the principal stockholders have decided to revive their holdings, and a large line of development has been authorized.

ASKED TO RESIGN.

By Associated Press.

WILLISTON, N. Da., Dec. 22.—Because he failed to exercise due diligence to prevent the lynching last Tuesday of Cleve Culbertson, a murderer, by three members of the Dillon family, Sheriff Carl Erickson was asked to resign. The demand for his resignation came after he had been questioned by the Attorney General and District Attorney.

Big Bank Is Willing To Enter The Federal System

By Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22.—What the treasury officials regarded as an indication of how financial circles will receive the Federal currency system, came in a message from the National Shawmut Bank of Boston, one of the largest institutions in New England, declaring the executive committee of the bank had voted unanimously to advise the directors to accept the new law and enter the system. Many informal applications were received today.

COPPER.

NEW YORK, Dec. 22.—Electrolytic, unchanged.